

Power to hold  
Lands, &c.

in Law, TO HAVE, HOLD, RECEIVE, AND ENJOY Lands, Tenements, Rents, Liberties, Franchises, and Hereditaments, in Fee-simple, or for Term of Life, Lives, Years, or otherwise; and also Goods, Chattels, and other Things, of what Nature, Kind or Quality, soever. AND ALSO to Give, Grant, Lett, Sell, or Assign, the same Lands, Tenements, Hereditaments, Goods and Chattels; and to do and execute all other Things about the same, by the Name aforesaid: AND ALSO, that they and their Successors, by the Name of *The Library Company of Philadelphia*, be, and shall be, for ever hereafter, Persons able and capable in Law, to

Power to sue,  
&c.

sue and be sued, plead and be impleaded, answer and be answered unto, defend and be defended, in all or any of the Courts, or other Places, and before any Judges, Justices, and other Persons whatsoever, in all Manner of Actions, Suits, Complaints, Pleas, Causes and Matters, whatsoever, and of what Nature or Kind soever. AND that it shall and may be lawful, to and for the said Library Company of *Philadelphia*, and their Successors, for ever hereafter, to

To have a  
common Seal.

have one common Seal for their Use, in their Affairs; and the same at their Will and Pleasure to change and alter. AND for the well Governing and Ordering the Affairs of the said Company, We do, for Us, Our Heirs, and Successors, further Grant, That it shall and may be lawful for the said Company, and their Successors, to assemble and meet together on the first *Monday* in *May* in every Year, and

Power to meet  
and make  
Laws.

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